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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Byung-Seok RYU

Examiner: D. Knepper

Serial No.: 09/263,440

Group Art Unit: 2654

Filed: March 5, 1999

Docket: 678-231(P8635)

Date: August 14, 2002

For: APPARATUS FOR SYNTHESIZING
SPEECH SOUNDS OF A SHORT MESSAGE
IN A HANDS FREE KIT FOR A MOBILE PHONE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231
Attn: Refund Section, Accounting Division,
Office of Finance

REQUEST FOR REFUND

I. REFUND REQUEST

This is a request for a refund with respect to a fee paid with regard to a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(3) for the above-identified application.

II. FEES CHARGED FOR WHICH REFUND REQUESTED

	AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> extension of time	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> three months	<u>\$920.00</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT OF REFUND REQUESTED	<u>\$920.00</u>

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8(a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231

Dated: August 14, 2002

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III. EXPLANATION OF WHY CONTESTED CHARGE IS IN ERROR

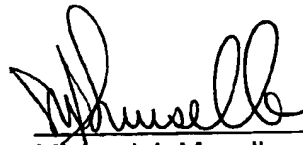
On December 19, 2001, and on behalf of the applicants, the undersigned attorney submitted a timely Response to a Final Office Action dated September 24, 2001. On or about February 25, 2002, the undersigned contacted the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to determine the delay in a reply to the aforementioned Response. It was determined that the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office did not receive the response until January 23, 2002, apparently due to the delays in the United States Postal Service mail delivery. In response thereto, the Examiner assigned to this matter issued on February 21, 2002 an Advisory Action denying entry of the amendments contained in the Response. As a result an RCE was filed on March 25, 2002, with a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), along with a three month extension of time fee of \$920.00 that was incurred due to the delay in the United States Postal services delivery.

Your undersigned respectfully requests a refund of the three month extension fee in light of the fact that the fee was incurred due to the United States Postal Service mail delays and beyond the control of the undersigned.

IV. MANNER OF REFUND

Please make refund by crediting Deposit Account No. 04-1121.

Respectfully requested,



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